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9	UNITED STATE	ES DISTRICT COURT
10	NORTHERN DIST	TRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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12	SINHDARELLA, INC., a California	CASE NO. C 07 04353 WHA
13 14	corporation, Plaintiff,	COMPLAINT FOR: (1) INFRINGEMENT OF A
15 16 17 18	V. KEVIN VU, an individual, d/b/a/ THE BOILING CRAB; CAFE BONITA, INC., a California corporation; and DOES 2 through 10,	FEDERALLY REGISTERED TRADEMARK; (2) TRADEMARK AND TRADE DRESS INFRINGEMENT, AND UNFAIR COMPETITION; (3) STATE LAW UNFAIR
20	Defendants.	COMPETITION;
21		(4) COMMON LAW TRADEMARK INFRINGEMENT; AND
22		(5) CONSTRUCTIVE TRUST.
23		[DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL]
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Plaintiff Sinhdarella, Inc. ("Sinhdarella" or "Plaintiff"), for its complaint against defendants Kevin Vu d/b/a/ THE BOILING CRAB, Café Bonita, Inc. ("Defendants" shall be used herein to refer to defendant Kevin Vu in his individual capacity, or to Cafe Bonita, Inc. and Kevin Vu in his individual capacity collectively) and Does 2 to 10, inclusive, alleges as follows:

JURISDICTION

1. The United States District Court for the Northern District of California has subject matter jurisdiction over this action under 28 U.S.C. § 1331 (federal question jurisdiction), 28 U.S.C. § 1338(a) (jurisdiction over trademark actions), 28 U.S.C. § 1338(b) (unfair competition claim joined with a substantial and related claim under the trademark laws), and 15 U.S.C. § 1121(a) because this action arises under the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1051, et seq. The Court also has supplemental jurisdiction over the claims arising out of state law pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1338(b) and 1367 because the state law claims arise out of the same operative facts as the federal claims. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendants because Defendants reside and/or have their principal place of business in this district and jurisdiction. Personal jurisdiction is also proper over Defendants because Defendants sell and offer for sale goods and services, and otherwise conduct business, in California, including in this judicial district.

VENUE

2. Venue in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b) because, among other reasons, Defendants transact business within this district and offers for sale in this district goods and services in a manner that infringes Sinhdarella's trademark and trade dress rights. In addition, Sinhdarella has suffered harm in this district and a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claims asserted herein occurred in this district.

INTRADISTRICT ASSIGNMENT

3. Because this is an "Intellectual Property Action" for purposes of Local Rule 3-2(c), that rule provides that this action shall be assigned on a district-wide basis.

PARTIES

- 4. Sinhdarella, Inc. is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, with its principal headquarters located in Fountain Valley, California. Sinhdarella operates a chain of restaurants throughout the United States under the trademark THE BOILING CRAB®, which Sinhdarella has used since at least as early as 2003, and offers restaurant services and related products and services under the trademark THE BOILING CRAB®.
- 5. On information and belief, defendant Kevin Vu d/b/a/ THE BOILING CRAB is an individual who resides in San Jose, California.
- 6. On information and belief, defendant Cafe Bonita, Inc. is a corporation organized and previously or currently existing under the laws of the State of California. On information and belief, defendant Kevin Vu is the sole officer and director of Cafe Bonita, Inc.
- 7. Through counsel, defendant Kevin Vu has represented that defendant Cafe Bonita, Inc. is responsible in some manner for occurrences herein alleged. Based on this representation, Cafe Bonita, Inc. has been named as a defendant. On information and belief, Sinhdarella alleges that defendant Kevin Vu is liable in his individual capacity for all conduct herein alleged. Sinhdarella further alleges that Cafe Bonita, Inc. is an alter-ego of defendant Kevin Vu.
- 8. On information and belief, defendant Kevin Vu, in his individual capacity, and defendant Cafe Bonita, Inc. are jointly and severally liable for conduct herein alleged.
- 9. Defendants recently opened and began operating a restaurant that is virtually identical in all material respects to Sinhdarella's THE BOILING

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- 10. Plaintiff is unaware of the true names and capacities of the defendants sued herein as Does 2 through 10, inclusive, and therefore sues those additional defendants by such fictitious names. Plaintiff will amend this Complaint to allege their true names and capacities when ascertained.
- Upon information and belief, Plaintiff alleges that each of the 11. fictitiously named defendants is responsible in some manner for the occurrences herein alleged and that Plaintiff's damages as herein alleged were proximately caused by their conduct.

FACTS COMMON TO ALL CLAIMS

SINHDARELLA'S THE BOILING CRAB® CHAIN OF RESTAURANTS

- 12. In 2003, Sinhdarella opened its first restaurant under the trademark THE BOILING CRAB®, in California. A true and correct copy of a picture of Sinhdarella's first THE BOILING CRAB® restaurant is attached hereto as Exhibit B.
- 13. Based on the huge popularity and success of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants, Sinhdarella has since expanded its chain of THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants to include locations throughout the United States, including three THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants in California and a THE BOILING CRAB® restaurant in Houston, Texas. Sinhdarella is also actively exploring further expansion of its chain of THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants to additional locations throughout the United States.
- 14. Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants offer a unique selection of Louisiana-style seafood, including blue crab, oysters,

Dungeness crab, shrimp, and crawfish seasoned with THE BOILING CRAB®
restaurants' distinctive blends of spices and seasonings. Customers of THE
BOILING CRAB® restaurants are also treated to a singularly enjoyable dining
experience that is characterized by the innovative food presentations, distinctive
restaurant décor, unique menus, and one-of-a-kind dining experience pioneered
and provided by Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants. A true and
correct copy of a picture of the inside of one of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING
CRAB® restaurants is attached hereto as Exhibit C. Further contributing to
Sinhdarella's distinctive appearance and appeal, Sinhdarella's unique menus use a
distinctive format, contain unique content, and are distinctively printed on eye-
catching colored paper, such as blue, hot pink, yellow, green, or orange colored
paper. A true and correct copy of THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants' unique
orange menu used around the time that Defendants began using Sinhdarella's THE
BOILING CRAB® trademark and distinctive trade dress without authorization is
attached hereto as Exhibit D.

- 15. THE BOILING CRAB® chain of restaurants has become extremely well known and respected among consumers, who have come to associate Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark with Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants and the one-of-a-kind dining experience that Sinhdarella pioneered and provides. Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants have also received unsolicited attention from, and positive recognition by, the media, which has further contributed to consumers' widespread recognition of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants.
- 16. Additionally, Sinhdarella has expended considerable time, effort, and money promoting and advertising its chain of THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants, further contributing to the recognition and success of THE BOILING CRAB® chain of restaurants. Today, Sinhdarella continues to promote and advertise its THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants. A true and correct copy of one

of Sinhdarella's paid advertisements for its THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants is attached hereto as Exhibit E.

- CRAB® extensively on the internet and, as a result, Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark has developed a strong internet presence and recognition by consumers who use the internet. Sinhdarella is the registrant of various domain names incorporating, in whole or in part, THE BOILING CRAB® trademark, including theboilingcrab.com and boilingcrab.com. Sinhdarella owns and operates a website at these domain names in order to promote, and provide consumers with information concerning, Sinhdarella's nationwide chain of THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants. Sinhdarella's website makes extensive use of THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and embodies part of the unique look-and-feel of THE BOILING CRAB® dining experience. A true and correct copy of the home page of Sinhdarella's website at www.theboilingcrab.com is attached hereto as Exhibit F.
- website at www.theboilingcrab.com, Sinhdarella also uses its trademark THE BOILING CRAB® extensively on the internet through the popular social networking site, myspace.com. In particular, Sinhdarella operates a web page at www.myspace.com/theboilingcrab in order to further promote its THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and to provide information about and promote its chain of THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants. A true and correct copy of the page maintained by Sinhdarella at www.myspace.com/theboilingcrab is attached hereto as Exhibit G.
- 19. Through Sinhdarella's extensive use, marketing, branding, and promotion of its THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and THE BOILING CRAB® chain of restaurants, its trademark THE BOILING CRAB® is recognized by consumers throughout the United States and around the world, enjoying substantial recognition, goodwill, and association with THE BOILING CRAB® restaurant

chain. The public distinguishes Sinhdarella's goods and services from those of	
others who offer the same or similar goods and services on the basis of its	
trademark THE BOILING CRAB®. Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB®	
trademark has acquired secondary meaning throughout the United States, including	
California.	

SINHDARELLA'S FEDERAL REGISTRATION OF ITS THE BOILING CRAB® TRADEMARK

- 20. Sinhdarella is the owner of United States Trademark Registration Number 3,256,219 for the mark THE BOILING CRAB® in connection with restaurant services in International Class 43. A true and correct copy of Sinhdarella's federal trademark registration for THE BOILING CRAB® trademark is attached hereto as Exhibit H.
- 21. Sinhdarella's federal registration of its THE BOILING CRAB® trademark constitutes *prima facie* evidence that the mark is valid and that Sinhdarella is entitled to exclusive use of the mark THE BOILING CRAB® in commerce throughout the United States for restaurant services and in connection with goods and services related thereto.

DEFENDANTS' INFRINGEMENT OF SINHDARELLA'S THE BOILING CRAB® TRADEMARK AND TRADE DRESS

22. Recently, several years after Sinhdarella first began using its THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and distinctive trade dress, Defendants opened and began operating a restaurant that imitates in all material respects the name and distinctive trade dress of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurant chain. Most blatantly, in a clear effort to confuse consumers into thinking that Defendants are somehow associated or affiliated with Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® nationwide chain of restaurants, Defendants precisely imitate Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark by calling Defendants' restaurant "The Boiling Crab," even though Defendants do not have any affiliation with, or authorization

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from, Sinhdarella	A true and correct copy of a picture of Defendants' infringing
restaurant and una	authorized use of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB®
trademark is attached hereto as Exhibit I.	
23.	Defendants' blatant imitation of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING

23. CRAB® restaurants did not stop with unauthorized use of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark as the name of Defendants' restaurant. Rather, Defendants have also blatantly copied the unique trade dress used by Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants in a further effort to confuse consumers into thinking Defendants are somehow associated or affiliated with Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® nationwide chain of restaurants. Defendants' menu, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit J, is virtually an identical copy of the menu used by Sinhdarella around the time that Defendants opened their restaurant, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit D. As can be seen by comparing Exhibit D with Exhibit J, Defendants' menu is the exact same shape (rectangular), size (4.25"x11"), and color (orange) as the menu for Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants used around the time that Defendants opened their infringing restaurant. Additionally, Defendants' menu offers the same five entrees (crab, oysters (raw), crab, crawfish, and shrimp), two of the same extras in the same order (corn and sausage), and the same drinks in the same order (soda, bottled water, domestic beer, and imported beer) as does Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® menu. *Compare* Exhibit D with Exhibit J. In fact, Defendants' imitation of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants is so complete that Defendants even copied precisely the same hours of operation as those used by Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants: Mon-Fri 3:00 pm-10:00 pm and Sat-Sun 12:00 pm-10:00 pm! Compare Exhibit D with Exhibit J.

As can be seen by comparing the interior of Defendants' 24. restaurant, a true and correct copy of a picture of which is attached hereto as

	Exhibit K, with a copy of the interior of a genuine Sinhdarella THE BOILING
	CRAB® restaurant, a true and correct copy of a picture of which is attached hereto
	as Exhibit L, Defendants' restaurant also imitates the unique trade dress of
	Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants. For example, Defendants'
	restaurant copies the overall, non-functional configuration of Sinhdarella's THE
	BOILING CRAB® restaurants, including, but not limited to, by imitating the color
	of the walls, the signs on the walls, the hanging of fishing nets on the walls,
	affixing sculptures of red-colored crustaceans on the walls, the configuration of the
	tables and chairs, Sinhdarella's menus, and the overall look-and-feel of the
	restaurant. Compare Exhibit K with Exhibit L.
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- 25. Sinhdarella is informed and believes, and based thereon alleges, that at the time Defendants opened and began operating their restaurant under the name "The Boiling Crab" and imitating Sinhdarella's distinctive THE BOILING CRAB® trade dress, Defendants knew of Sinhdarella's superior rights in the trademark THE BOILING CRAB® and in Sinhdarella's distinctive trade dress, and knew or should have known that Defendants' unauthorized use of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and trade dress constitutes a violation of Sinhdarella's rights in the trademark THE BOILING CRAB® and in Sinhdarella's distinctive THE BOILING CRAB® trade dress. Defendants' infringement of Sinhdarella's trademark and trade dress rights is intentional and willful.
- 26. Defendants' use of the trademark THE BOILING CRAB® for restaurant services and his willful and intentional infringement of Sinhdarella's distinctive trade dress is likely to cause confusion, mistake, and deception of consumers as to the source, quality, and nature of Defendants' services and goods, including Defendants' services and goods offered under or in connection with the trademark THE BOILING CRAB®, thereby proximately causing injury to Sinhdarella and its trademark rights.

1	27. Not surprisingly, Defendants' imitation of Sinhdarella's THE
2	BOILING CRAB® restaurants through unauthorized use of THE BOILING
3	CRAB® trademark and Sinhdarella's distinctive trade dress has caused actual
4	confusion among consumers. In part because of the sub-par quality of Defendants'
5	food and service, the confusion caused by Defendants' willful infringement of
6	Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and trade dress has caused
7	significant injury to the reputation of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® chain
8	of restaurants, including by virtue of negative reviews written about Defendants'
9	infringing restaurant. Sinhdarella has also suffered additional significant injury as
10	a result of Defendants' willful and intentional infringement of Sinhdarella's THE
11	BOILING CRAB® trademark and trade dress, including as the result of lost
12	business opportunities.
13	28. In a letter dated December 13, 2007, counsel for defendant
14	Kevin Vu stated, "Mr. Vu intends to open a restaurant in Sacramento named 'The
15	Boiling Crayfish." In another letter dated December 13, 2007, counsel for
16	defendant Kevin Vu clarified his earlier letter stating, "I am advised that my
17	client's restaurant in Sacramento will be named 'The Boiling Crawfish' and not
18	'The Boiling Crayfish.'" Sinhdarella alleges that defendant Kevin Vu's use of the
19	name "The Boiling Crawfish" is likely to cause confusion with Sinhdarella's THE
20	BOILING CRAB® trademark and therefore constitutes infringement, unfair
21	competition, and unfair business practices under 15 U.S.C. § 1114(1), 15 U.S.C. §
22	1125(a), California Business and Professions Code §§ 17200 et seq. and California
23	common law as set forth is paragraphs 33 through 62 below.
24	DEFENDANTS HAVE IGNORED SINHDARELLA'S DEMANDS
25	THAT DEFENDANTS STOP INFRINGING SINHDARELLA'S
26	THE BOILING CRAB® TRADEMARK
27	29. On May 22, 2007, counsel for Sinhdarella sent a letter to

defendant Kevin Vu objecting to Defendants' unauthorized use of Sinhdarella's

1	THE BOILING CRAB® trademark. That letter demanded, among other things,
2	that Defendants immediately stop using the trademark THE BOILING CRAB®. A
3	true and correct copy of that letter is attached hereto as Exhibit M.
4	30. On June 26, 2007, having not heard anything from Defendants
5	in response to the initial letter, counsel for Sinhdarella sent another letter to
6	defendant Kevin Vu, again objecting to Defendants' unauthorized use of
7	Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and repeating the demands
8	contained in the May 22, 2007 letter. A true and correct copy of that letter is
9	attached hereto as Exhibit N.
10	31. On July 23, 2007, still having not heard anything from
11	Defendants in response to either of the first two letters, counsel for Sinhdarella sent
12	another letter to defendant Kevin Vu – this time by hand delivery directly to
13	Defendants' restaurant – again objecting to Defendants' unauthorized use of
14	Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and once again repeating the
15	demands contained in Sinhdarella's May 22, 2007 letter. A true and correct copy
16	of that letter is attached hereto as Exhibit O.
17	32. Despite Sinhdarella's repeated demands that Defendants stop
18	their blatant infringement of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and
19	trade dress, Defendants have completely ignored Sinhdarella's efforts to reach an
20	informal resolution of this matter and continued, unabashedly, with their willful
21	and intentional infringement of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark
22	and trade dress rights.
23	FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF
24	(Infringement of a Federally Registered Trademark)
25	15 U.S.C. § 1114(1)
26	33. Sinhdarella realleges and incorporates by reference the
27	allegations in paragraphs 1 through 32, as if set forth fully herein.

cause mistake, and/or to deceive the consuming public.

36. Sinhdarella never consented to or authorized Defendants' adoption or commercial use of the trademark THE BOILING CRAB® for any purpose. Defendants therefore have infringed and is infringing Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark in violation of Section 32(1)(a) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1114(1)(a).

connection with restaurant services in such a way as is likely to cause confusion, to

- 37. Upon information and belief, Sinhdarella alleges that, at all times relevant to this action, including when Defendants first adopted the mark THE BOILING CRAB® and commenced commercial use of the mark THE BOILING CRAB® in connection with restaurant services, Defendants knew of Sinhdarella's prior adoption and widespread commercial use of the trademark THE BOILING CRAB® in connection with restaurant services and related goods and services and knew of the valuable goodwill and reputation acquired by Sinhdarella in connection with its THE BOILING CRAB® trademark. Defendants' infringement of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark is willful and deliberate.
- 38. Sinhdarella has no control over the quality of Defendants' infringing restaurant services, and because of the source confusion engendered by Defendants' willful trademark infringement, Sinhdarella's valuable goodwill in and to its federally registered trademark THE BOILING CRAB® is being significantly harmed. Defendants' use of the mark THE BOILING CRAB®, in blatant imitation of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark, has caused

Defendants' activities are intended, and are likely, to lead the

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public to conclude, incorrectly, that Defendants' restaurant services originate with,
are sponsored by, and/or are authorized by Sinhdarella and its THE BOILING
CRAB® brand, to the damage and harm of Sinhdarella and the consuming public.
Defendants' activities constitute willful and deliberate infringement of
Sinhdarella's federally registered trademark in violation of the Lanham Act,
including, but not limited to, 15 U.S.C. § 1114(1). Accordingly, Sinhdarella is
entitled to recover Defendants' profits, together with Sinhdarella's damages,
increased monetary recoveries as provided by the Lanham Act, as well as costs of
the action and reasonable attorneys' fees pursuant to Section 35(a) of the Lanham
Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1117(a).

confusion, mistake, and deception to purchasers as to the source and origin of

Defendants' services and products sold under the mark THE BOILING CRAB®.

- 40. Defendants' activities have caused and will continue to cause irreparable harm to Sinhdarella for which Sinhdarella has no adequate remedy at law, in that: (i) Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark is a unique and valuable property right that has no readily determinable market value; (ii) Defendants' infringement constitutes an interference with Sinhdarella's goodwill and customer relationships and will substantially harm Sinhdarella's reputation as a source of high quality goods and services, as well as dilute the substantial value of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® name and trademark; and (iii) Defendants' wrongful conduct, and the resulting damages to Sinhdarella, are continuing. Accordingly, Sinhdarella is entitled to preliminary and permanent injunctive relief pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1116(a) and to an order under 15 U.S.C. § 1118 impounding all goods and other materials in Defendants' possession, custody, or control that bear the trademark THE BOILING CRAB®.
- Sinhdarella also is entitled to, in addition to the other remedies 41. described herein, the cost of corrective advertising and a reasonable royalty as a

result of Defendar	nts' infringement of Sinhdarella's federally registered THE
BOILING CRAB	® trademark.
42.	This is an exceptional case, further entitling Sinhdarella t

42. This is an exceptional case, further entitling Sinhdarella to additional remedies and also entitling Sinhdarella to recover its attorneys' fees and costs incurred in prosecuting this action and stopping Defendants' willful trademark infringement, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1117.

SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Trademark and Trade Dress Infringement, and Unfair Competition) 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a)

- 43. Sinhdarella realleges and incorporates by reference the allegations in paragraphs 1 through 42, as if set forth fully herein.
- 44. This claim is against Defendants for trademark and trade dress infringement, and unfair competition, in violation of Section 43(a) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a).
- 45. Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and distinctive trade dress, including the overall, non-functional configuration of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants, including, but not limited to, the menus, food items, color of the walls, the signs on the walls, the hanging of fishing nets on the walls, affixing sculptures of red-colored crustaceans on the walls, the configuration of the tables and chairs, and the overall look-and-feel of the restaurant, all as described above, are nonfunctional and inherently distinctive. They have acquired secondary meaning in the eyes of the public.
- 46. Defendants' use and imitation of the trademark THE BOILING CRAB® and the inherent trade dress of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants is so similar to Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® mark and trade dress that Defendants are likely to cause confusion, mistake, and/or to deceive the consuming public as to the affiliation, connection, and/or association between Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants and Defendants' "The Boiling

- 1 Crab" restaurant. Defendants' unauthorized use of the trademark THE BOILING
- CRAB® and Sinhdarella's trade dress infringes Sinhdarella's THE BOILING 2
- 3 CRAB® trademark and trade dress, and constitutes unfair competition.
- Defendants' unauthorized use of the trademark THE BOILING CRAB® also 4
- 5 constitutes a false designation of origin of products and services.
- 47. On information and belief, at all times relevant to this action, 6
- 7 including at the time Defendants first copied and began using without authorization
- 8 Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and distinctive trade dress,
- 9 Defendants knew of Sinhdarella's prior adoption and widespread commercial use
- 10 of the trademark THE BOILING CRAB® and distinctive trade dress, and knew of
- 11 the valuable goodwill and reputation acquired by Sinhdarella in connection with its
- 12 THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and trade dress. Defendants' infringement of
- 13 Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and trade dress is therefore
- knowing, willful, and deliberate. 14
- 15 48. Defendants' activities are intended to, and are likely to, lead the
- 16 public to conclude, incorrectly, that Defendants' restaurant services originate with,
- 17 are sponsored by, and/or are authorized by Sinhdarella and its nationwide chain of
- 18 THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants, to the damage and harm of Sinhdarella and
- the consuming public. Defendants' activities constitute willful and deliberate 19
- 20 infringement of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and trade dress
- 21 in violation of the Lanham Act, including, but not limited to, 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a).
- 22 Accordingly, Sinhdarella is entitled to recover Defendants' profits together with
- 23 Sinhdarella's damages, an increased monetary recovery, as well as costs of the
- action and reasonable attorneys' fees pursuant to Section 35(a) of the Lanham Act, 24
- 15 U.S.C. § 1117(a). 25
- 26 49. Defendants' activities have caused and will continue to cause
- irreparable harm to Sinhdarella for which Sinhdarella has no adequate remedy at 27
- law, in that: (i) Sinhdarella's rights in its THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and 28

1	trade dress are unique and valuable property rights which have no readily
2	determinable market value; (ii) Defendants' infringement constitutes an
3	interference with Sinhdarella's goodwill and customer relationships and will
4	substantially harm Sinhdarella's reputation as a source of high quality goods and
5	services, as well as harm the substantial value of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING
6	CRAB® trademark and trade dress; and (iii) Defendants' wrongful conduct, and
7	the resulting damages to Sinhdarella, are continuing. Accordingly, Sinhdarella is
8	entitled to preliminary and permanent injunctive relief pursuant to 15 U.S.C. §
9	1116(a) and to an order under 15 U.S.C. § 1118 impounding all goods and other
10	materials in Defendants' possession, custody, or control that bear the trademark
11	THE BOILING CRAB®.
12	50. Sinhdarella also is entitled to, in addition to the other remedies
13	described herein, the cost of corrective advertising and a reasonable royalty as a
14	result of Defendants' infringement of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB®
15	trademark and trade dress.
16	51. This is an exceptional case, further entitling Sinhdarella to
17	additional remedies and also entitling Sinhdarella to recover its attorneys' fees and
18	costs incurred in prosecuting this action and stopping Defendants' willful
19	trademark and trade dress infringement, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1117.
20	THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF
21	(Unfair Competition Under State Law)
22	Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code §§ 17200 et seq. and California Common Law
23	52. Sinhdarella realleges and incorporates by reference the
24	allegations in paragraphs 1 through 51, as if set forth fully herein.
25	53. Defendants' acts as detailed herein have impaired Sinhdarella's

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goodwill, have created a likelihood of confusion, are likely to deceive consumers,

Defendants' use of unfair, fraudulent, and unlawful business practices. These acts

and have otherwise adversely affected Sinhdarella's business and reputation by

constitute unfair competition and unfair business practices under California Business and Professions Code §§ 17200 *et seq.* and California common law.

- 54. Absent injunctive relief, Sinhdarella has no means by which to control Defendants' deceptive and confusing use of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and trade dress. Sinhdarella is therefore entitled to injunctive relief prohibiting Defendants from continuing such acts of unfair competition.
- 55. As a direct and proximate result of the aforesaid acts of unfair competition, Defendants have wrongfully profited and taken the benefit of Sinhdarella's creativity and investment of time, energy, and money. Defendants have also wrongfully taken monies from consumers as the result of the aforesaid acts of unfair competition. Defendants should therefore be ordered to perform full restitution, as permitted by law, as a consequence of their acts of unfair competition.

FOURTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF

(Trademark Infringement Under State Law)

California Common Law

- 56. Sinhdarella realleges and incorporates by reference the allegations in paragraphs 1 through 55, as if set forth fully herein.
- 57. Defendants' acts infringe Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and the distinctive trade dress of its THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants. Defendants' acts have caused, and are likely to continue to cause, consumer confusion and injury to Sinhdarella's business and reputation and to dilute the distinctive quality of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark and trade dress, and constitute trademark infringement under California common law. Defendants' acts have been and are the proximate cause of injury to Sinhdarella.
- 58. Absent injunctive relief, Sinhdarella has no means to stop Defendants' continuing infringement of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB®

1	trademark and trade dress. Sinhdarella is therefore entitled to injunctive relief
2	prohibiting Defendants from continuing the unlawful acts described herein.
3	Sinhdarella is also entitled to damages, Defendants' profits, punitive damages, an
4	accounting, costs, attorneys' fees and other damages and monetary relief, all
5	according to proof at trial.
6	FIFTH CLAIM FOR RELIEF
7	(Constructive Trust)
8	59. Sinhdarella realleges and incorporates by reference the
9	allegations in paragraphs 1 through 58, as if set forth fully herein.
10	60. Sinhdarella is entitled to all profits Defendants have derived
11	from infringement of Sinhdarella's rights pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1117(a), 15
12	U.S.C. § 1125(c)(2), and the statutory and common law of the United States and
13	State of California.
14	61. Sinhdarella alleges on information and belief that Defendants
15	own and possess tangible real and personal property and assets consisting of or
16	obtained with profits from or obtained by Defendants' unlawful acts, as alleged
17	herein.
18	62. Defendants hold the above-mentioned tangible real and
19	personal property and assets as constructive trustee for the benefit of Sinhdarella,
20	in an amount to be proven at trial.
21	PRAYER FOR RELIEF
22	WHEREFORE, Sinhdarella prays for entry of a judgment ordering
23	and declaring:
24	1. That, preliminarily pending trial of this action and permanently
25	thereafter, Defendants and their agents, servants, employees, successors, licensees
26	and assignees, and all persons, firms, entities, partners, or corporations in active
27	concert or participation with Defendants, are preliminarily and thereafter
28	permanently enjoined from doing, threatening, or attempting to do or causing to be

1	done, either directly or indirectly, by any means, method or device, any of the
2	following acts:
3	(a) Directly or indirectly infringing, using, or displaying the
4	trademark THE BOILING CRAB® or Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB®
5	trade dress, or any mark or trade dress similar thereto, in any manner or for any
6	purpose, including, but not limited to, in advertising, promoting, producing,
7	distributing, selling, offering for sale, or giving away any services or products
8	which infringe, use, or display Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark or
9	the trade dress of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants, or any marks
10	or trade dress similar thereto;
11	(b) Using any term that is likely to be confused with
12	Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® trademark;
13	(c) Using any trade dress likely to be confused with the trade
14	dress of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants, including the overall,
15	non-functional configuration of Sinhdarella's THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants,
16	including, but not limited to, the menus, food items, color of the walls, the signs on
17	the walls, the hanging of fishing nets on the walls, affixing sculptures of red-
18	colored crustaceans on the walls, the configuration of the tables and chairs, and the
19	overall look-and-feel of the restaurant;
20	(d) Falsely representing, misleading, or deceiving consumers
21	into believing that services or products advertised, promoted, produced,
22	distributed, sold, or offered for sale by Defendants originate from Sinhdarella or its
23	THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants, or are sponsored, approved, licensed by, or
24	associated with Sinhdarella or its THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants, or that
25	Defendants or their services or products are in some way associated or affiliated
26	with Sinhdarella or its THE BOILING CRAB® restaurants;
27	(e) Destroying, concealing, altering, or otherwise disposing
28	of any documents, electronically stored information, or other evidence that relates

1	or refers to the advertising, promotion, production, distribution, sale, or giving		
2	away Defendants' products and services which infringe Sinhdarella's THE		
3	BOILING CRAB® trademark and trade dress, including, but not limited to, sales		
4	journals, supplier journals, customer journals, ledgers, invoices, purchase orders,		
5	inventory control documents, bank records, correspondence, and e-mail messages;		
6	(f) Committing any other acts calculated to or that do		
7	unfairly compete with Sinhdarella in any manner;		
8	(g) Filing or prosecuting any trademark application for the		
9	trademark THE BOILING CRAB® or any mark confusingly similar thereto;		
10	(h) Filing or maintaining any business license, d/b/a, or		
11	similar document using the trademark THE BOILING CRAB® or any mark		
12	confusingly similar thereto; and		
13	(i) Registering or using any trade name or domain name		
14	containing or consisting of the trademark THE BOILING CRAB® or any mark		
15	confusingly similar thereto;		
16	2. That Defendants be required to account for all profits derived		
17	by them from their trade, infringing conduct, unfair practices and competition, and		
18	for an order of restitution of the entire amount of those profits, in amounts to be		
19	proven at trial, to Sinhdarella;		
20	3. That Defendants be required to turn over to be impounded		
21	during the pendency of this action all goods and other materials in their possession		
22	custody, or control used or involved in the trademark and trade dress infringement		
23	complained of herein, and to turn over for destruction all such goods and other		
24	materials, or in the alternative that all such items be subject to seizure;		
25	4. That Defendants be ordered to pay all of Sinhdarella's		
26	attorneys' fees, costs, and disbursements incurred in this suit, in bringing this		
27	action for the legal enforcement of its trademark and trade dress rights, and in		
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connection with all efforts to stop Defendants' trademark infringement, trade dress infringement, and unfair competition;

- 5. That, in addition to being ordered to pay its profits attributable to the infringing conduct complained of herein to Sinhdarella, Defendants also be ordered to pay their infringing profits as monetary damages and reasonable royalties, to be increased by the Court by such amount as the Court deems to be just, together with Sinhdarella's damages, all of which, according to the circumstances of this case, should be increased and trebled as provided by law, including 15 U.S.C. § 1117, and paid to Sinhdarella;
- 6. That Defendants be ordered to pay exemplary or punitive damages to the extent available under, and according to, law;
- 7. That Defendants have willfully and deliberately committed acts of trademark infringement, trade dress infringement, and unfair competition against Sinhdarella;
 - 8. That Defendants be ordered to pay interest according to law;
- 9. That Defendants be ordered to pay the costs of corrective advertising; and
- 10. For all such other, further, and different relief that this Court deems just and proper.

Dated: December 27, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

LATHAM & WATKINS

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Attorneys for Plaintiff SINHDARELLA, INC.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38(b) and Local Rule 3-6, Plaintiff Sinhdarella, Inc. hereby demands a trial by jury of any and all issues triable of right by a jury, including all issues so triable that are raised herein and all such issues that are hereafter raised in this action.

Dated: December 27, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

LATHAM & WATKINS

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Andrew Fossum

Attorneys for Plaintiff SINHDARELLA, INC.

Dated

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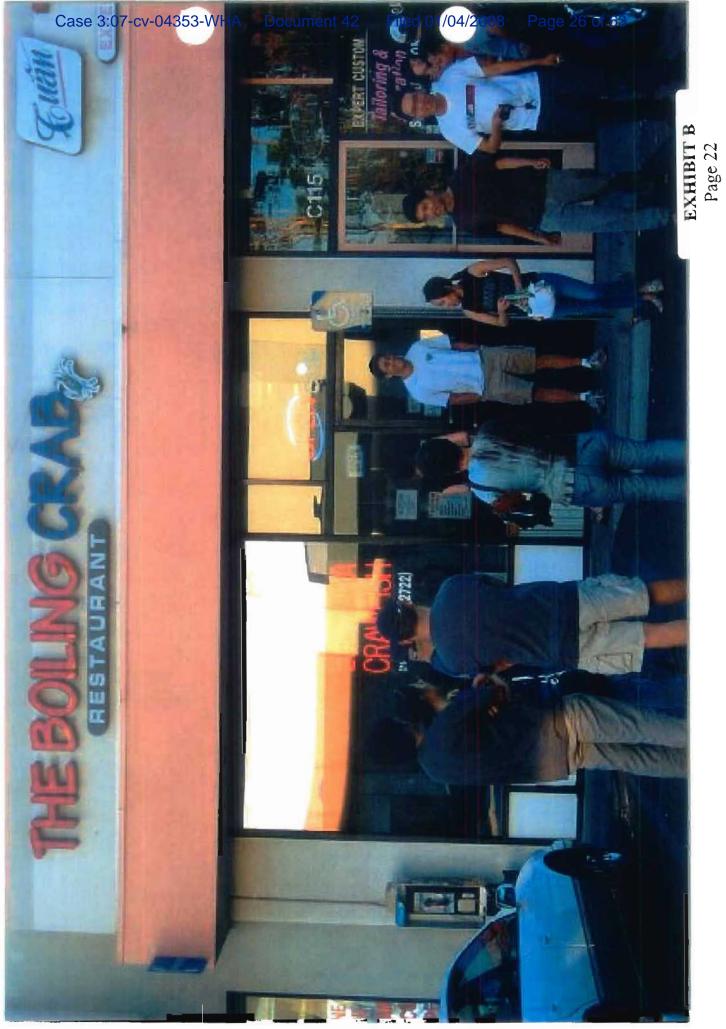
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(714) 265-(CRAB) 2722 14241 Euclid St. #C-116 Garden Grove, CA 92843

MENU

BLUE CRAB

(Janoanso).

\$6.99/16

DYSTERS (raw)

\$7.99/6 or \$13.99/DZ

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\$ Market Price



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** Corn and Sausages added for 21bs or more DNLY **

SHRIMP.

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- ** Seasonings for Shirimp and Crawfish **
 - FATUN CATUN (DEIGINAL)
 - LEMON PEPPER
 - GARLLE BUTTER
 - THE WHOLE SHA-BANG! (all of the above)

EXTRAS!

Corn on the cob		\$ 50/ea
Sausage	\$1.99/6 pcs. or	\$2.99/12 pcs
Gumbo - w/ or w/o ric		
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Thirsty?

Soda - ONE SIZE (FREE refills)	\$1.50
	\$1.25
Domestic Beer	\$2.00
(Eudweiser, Bud Light, Michelob)	
Imported Beer	\$2.50
(Heineken, Corona)	

*** DINE IN: A 15% gratuity will be added for parties of 6 or more ***

> \$20 minimum required on all credit card purchases

OPEN 7 days a week! MON - FRI 3:00 PM - 10:00 PM SAT - SUN 12:00 PM - 10:00 PM

*** WARNING: This facility offers raw oysters from the Gulf of Mexico. Cating these systems may cause severe illness and even death in persons who have liver disease (for ex. alcoholic circhosis), cancer or other chronic illness that weaken the immune system. If you eat raw system and become ill, you should seek immediate medical attention. If you are unsure if you are at risk, you should consult your physician

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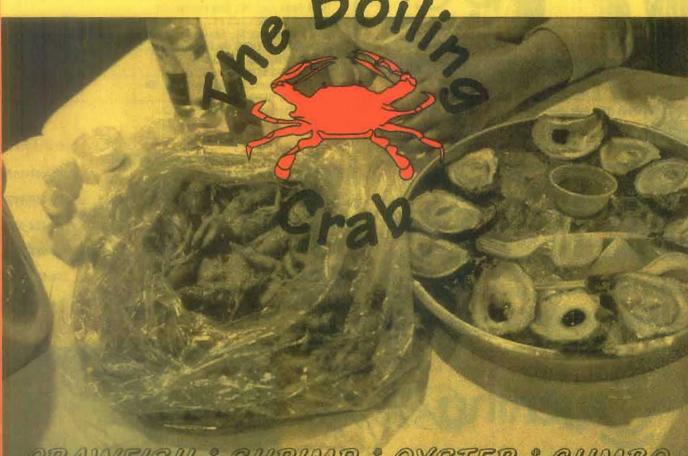
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Louisiana Crawfish The best tail in town

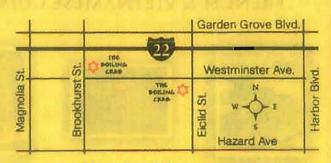
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Boiling Crab



"make a cow happy.. EAT SEAFOOD!!!"

Male 27 years old GARDEN GROVE, California United States

Last Login: 8/19/2007

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MySpace URL:

http://www.myspace.com/theboilingcrab



Boiling Crab's Interests				
General	(714)265-crab			
Music	tunes that make you wanna shake your tail feather and tap your feet			
Television	sport channels, food network, mtv, family guy, american idol, oprah, dancing with the stars, the simpsons, and some more sport channels			
Groups:	The Boiling Crab Eater's CLUB!!!			
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Boiling Crab's Details			
Status:	Single		

Boiling Crab is in your extended network

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Boiling Crab's Blurbs

About me:

hop on the train and see where everyone is headed to!!!
serving louisiana crawfish, louisiana raw oysters, texas blue crab,
dungeoness crab, king crab legs, texas shrimp, and maine lobster
(seasonal) with our own ORIGINAL seasonings: rajun cajun, garlic butter,
lemon pepper, and the whole sha-bang. also serving gumbo, corn and
sausages.

new Items added to the menu:

fried catfish
cajun hot wings
fried shrimp
cajun fries
king crab legs
san fran crab
potatoes
shrimp etouffe

COME JOIN THE FUN! we have some new items up our sleeves so don't forget to ask about that, it's head suckn' tail pinchn' good.

catch us during the hours of Monday thru Friday 3pm-10pm AND Saturday thru Sunday 12pm-10pm

you can find us at

14241 Euclid Street (714)265-2722

ALSO!!!

our new 2nd location 13892 Brookhurst Street (714) 636-4885

in a Garden Grove city near you!

our 3rd Location 8300 W Sam Houston Pkwy S#268 Houston, TX 77072 (281) 988-4750

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Reg. No. 3,256,219

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Registered June 26, 2007

SERVICE MARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER

THE BOILING CRAB

SINHDARELLA INC. (CALIFORNIA CORPORATION)

16130 WHITECAP CIRCLE

FOUNTAIN VALLEY, CA 927081843

FOR: RESTAURANT SERVICES, IN CLASS 43 (U.S. CLS. 100 AND 101).

FIRST USE 6-13-2003; IN COMMERCE 9-11-2003.

THE MARK CONSISTS OF STANDARD CHARACTERS WITHOUT CLAIM TO ANY PARTICULAR FONT, STYLE, SIZE, OR COLOR.

NO CLAIM IS MADE TO THE EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO USE "CRAB", APART FROM THE MARK AS SHOWN.

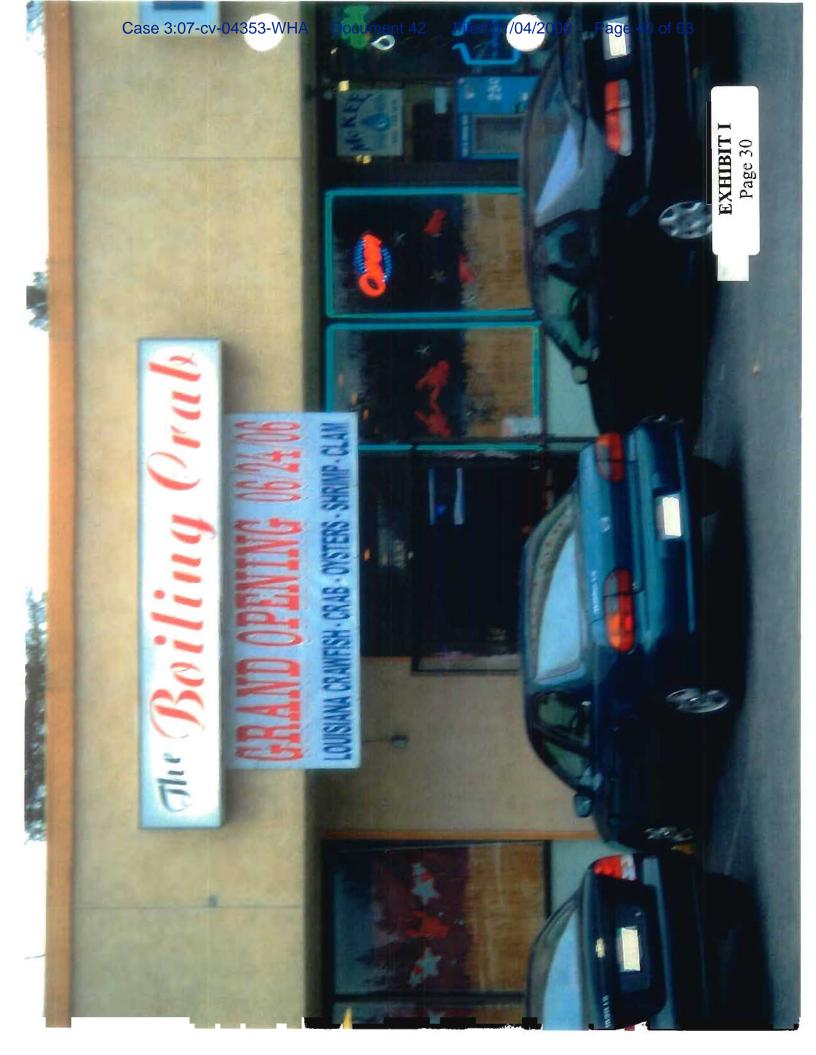
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THE BOILING CRAB 393 N CAPITOL AVE SAN JOSE, CA 95133 (408)347-8344

Menu

LOUISIANA CRAWFISH Extra: garlic butter \$.50	\$8.99 /lb
OYSTERS (Raw) 6pieces	.\$9.99
CRAB**L.A. Cajun style/Steam**	\$9,99/16
SHRIMP**L.A. Cajun style/Steam**	\$7.99/lb
CLAM**Steam Only**	\$7.99/lb
CORN	\$.50/EA
SAUSAGE	\$.50/EA
DRINK	
SODA (Coke, 7 up, Diet Coke)	\$1.50/EA
BOTTLE WATER	\$1,50/EA
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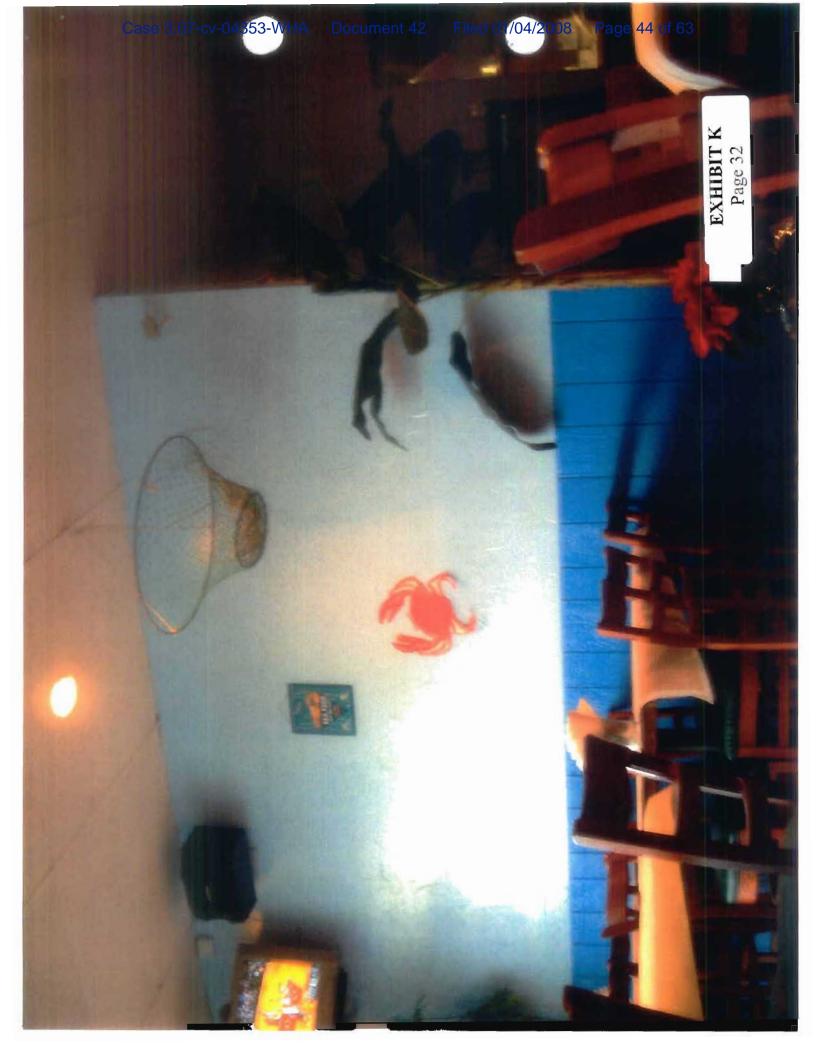
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LATHAM & WATKINS LLP

mike devries@lw com

May 22, 2007

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Kevin Vu d/b/a "The Boiling Crab" 393 N. Capitol Ave. San Jose, CA 95133

Re: Trademark Infringement - THE BOILING CRAB trademark

Dear Mr. Vu:

We represent Sinhdarella Inc. d/b/a The Boiling Crab ("The Boiling Crab") in intellectual property enforcement matters.

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By way of this letter, The Boiling Crab demands that you, and all persons and entities affiliated with you, <u>immediately</u> cease and desist from any further use of the name **THE**BOILING CRAB, or of any other mark that is confusingly similar to the trademark **THE**

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 - 3. A detailed summary of all uses by you of the trademark **THE BOILING CRAB**.

Please send me written acknowledgment by no later than June 1, 2007 that you have complied, and will permanently comply, with these demands. So long as you do so, we will work with you to try to reach an amicable resolution of this matter. If you fail to abide by these reasonable demands, The Boiling Crab may have no choice but to protect its rights through litigation. If The Boiling Crab is forced to protect its valuable trademark rights through litigation, it will seek all available remedies, including but not limited to preliminary and permanent injunctive relief, damages, increased damages, attorneys' fees, and costs. Moreover, if you continue to use the name THE BOILING CRAB after receipt of this letter, such continuing use would unquestionably constitute willful infringement, thereby entitling The Boiling Crab to additional remedies in the event that litigation is necessary.

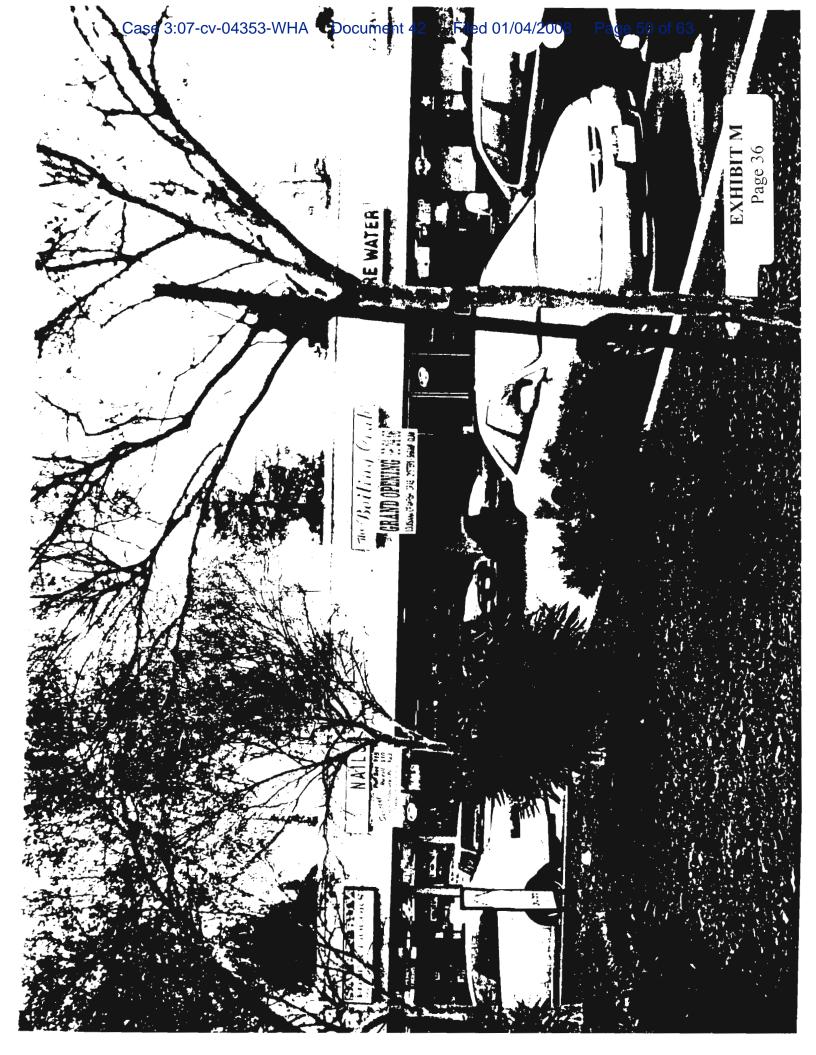
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Sincerely,

Michael W. De Vries

of LATHAM & WATKINS LLP

Enclosures (photographs)



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Trademark Infringement - THE BOILING CRAB trademark

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Nothing contained in this letter constitutes an express or implied waiver of any right or remedy, all of which are expressly reserved.

Very truly yours,

Michael Woodrow De Vries

of LATHAM & WATKINS LLP

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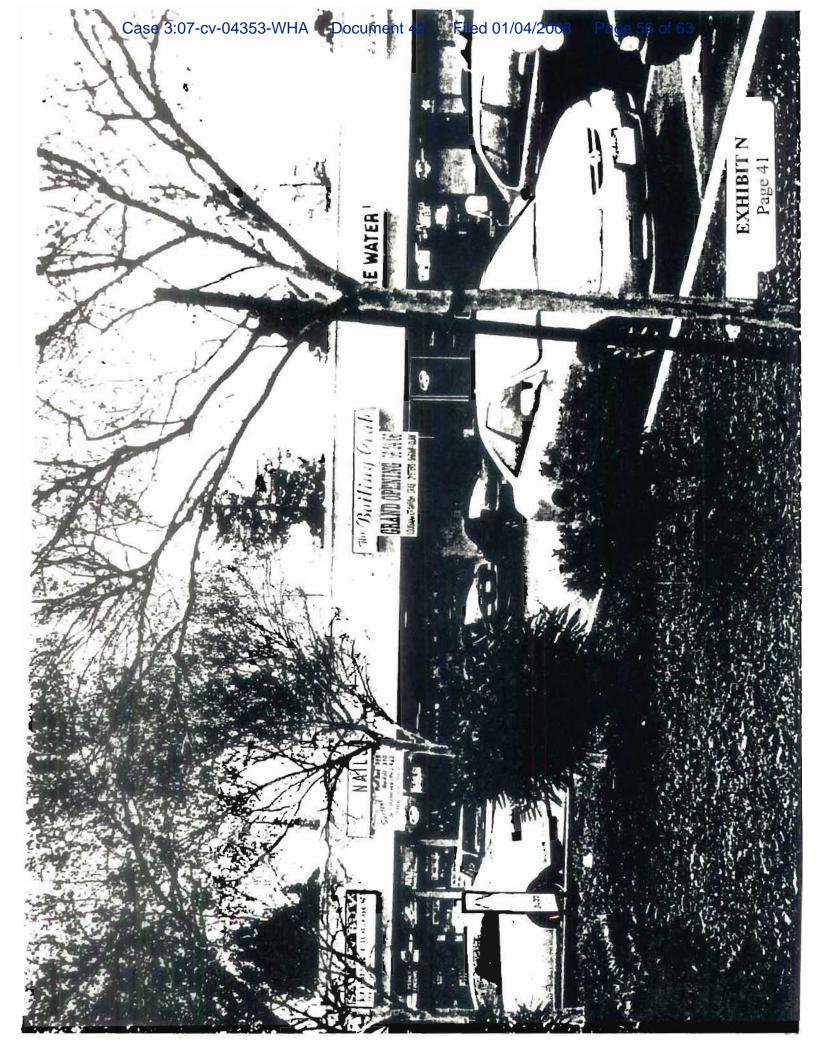
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VIA MESSENGER

Mr. Kevin Vu d/b/a "The Boiling Crab" 393 N. Capitol Ave. San Jose, CA 95133

Re: Trademark Infringement – THE BOILING CRAB trademark

Dear Mr. Vu:

Please find enclosed an additional copy of my letter to you dated May 22, 2007, which was sent to you via Certified Mail on that date and via Federal Express on July 16, 2007. Your prompt attention to this matter is requested. If you fail to respond to our May 22 letter and agree to the reasonable demands contained therein by August 5, 2007, we will assume you have no intention to do so and will proceed accordingly.

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Very truly yours,

Michael Woodrow De Vries of LATHAM & WATKINS LLP

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May 22, 2007

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Kevin Vu d/b/a "The Boiling Crab" 393 N. Capitol Ave. San Jose, CA 95133

Re: Trademark Infringement – THE BOILING CRAB trademark

Dear Mr. Vu:

We represent Sinhdarella Inc. d/b/a The Boiling Crab ("The Boiling Crab") in intellectual property enforcement matters.

The Boiling Crab has offered and sold restaurant services and related products and services under the trademark THE BOILING CRAB, including by operating restaurants specializing in Louisiana-style seafood dishes under the trademark THE BOILING CRAB, since at least as early as 2003. The Boiling Crab is the owner of valuable trademark rights that have contributed to its success, including the trademark THE BOILING CRAB. The Boiling Crab also owns United States Trademark Application Serial No. 78/954,843 for the trademark THE BOILING CRAB in International Class No. 43 in connection with restaurant services. The United States Patent and Trademark Office has reviewed The Boiling Crab's application, approved it for publication, and it is expected that a registration on this application will be issued shortly. The Boiling Crab is firmly committed to defending its valuable trademark rights.

It has come to our attention that you are operating a Louisiana-style seafood restaurant under the name **THE BOILING CRAB**, without the consent or authorization of The Boiling Crab. Photographs of your restaurant are enclosed herewith.

Your unauthorized use of our client's **THE BOILING CRAB** trademark is likely to cause confusion and constitutes: (1) trademark infringement, unfair competition, and false designation of origin in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a); (2) trademark dilution in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1125(c); (3) trademark infringement, unfair competition, and dilution under California law and the law of other states; and (4) a violation of various other state and federal laws.

By way of this letter, The Boiling Crab demands that you, and all persons and entities affiliated with you, <u>immediately</u> cease and desist from any further use of the name THE BOILING CRAB, or of any other mark that is confusingly similar to the trademark THE

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BOILING CRAB. The Boiling Crab also demands that you immediately provide us with the following information:

- 1. A detailed summary of your total gross revenues from the restaurant you are operating under the trademark **THE BOILING CRAB**, from the opening of your restaurant to the present;
- 2. A detailed summary of your expenses from the restaurant you are operating under the trademark **THE BOILING CRAB**, from the opening of your restaurant to the present; and
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